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WASHINGTON, FEB. 17 (AP)—RICHARD M. HELMS HAS BEEN PROMOTED TO DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR PLANS OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY TO SUCCEED RICHARD M. BISSELL JR., A CIA SPOKESMAN SAID TONIGHT.

HELMS, 47, HAS BEEN WITH THE CIA SINCE IT WAS FORMED IN 1947 AND HIS MOST RECENT POSITION WAS ASSISTANT TO BISSELL.

BISSELL REPORTEDLY IS LEAVING TO TAKE A NON-GOVERNMENT JOB.

HELMS IS A NATIVE OF ST. DAVIDS, PA., AND STUDIES IN SWITZERLAND AND GERMANY. HE FORMERLY WAS A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT FOR UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL AND ATTAINED THE RANK OF LIEUTENANT COMMANDER IN THE NAVY DURING WORLD WAR II.

BISSELL, 52, IS A NATIVE OF HARTFORD, CONN., AND FORMERLY TAUGHT ECONOMICS AT YALE. HE HAS HELD SEVERAL GOVERNMENT POSITIONS, INCLUDING THE JOB OF EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO PRESIDENT TRUMAN'S COMMISSION ON FOREIGN AID.

STILL REMAINING TO BE FILLED IS THE JOB OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR, THE NO. 2 POSITION WHICH BECAME VACANT WHEN AIR FORCE GEN. G.P. CABELL RESIGNED LAST DEC. 29. APPOINTMENT TO THIS JOB REQUIRES A PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION AND CONFIRMATION BY THE SENATE.

THE CIA IS HEADED BY JOHN A. MCCONE, APPOINTED BY PRESIDENT KENNEDY TO SUCCEED ALLEN DULLES.

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